Meeting Report = Detroit Regional Chamber of Commerce

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Good afternoon,

February 10, 2022: DTROT/HOM Comartin accompanied by TC/Cascadden had a meeting with Sandy Baruah, President, Detroit Regional Chamber, accompanied by Glenn Stevens and Paul Corbett of the Chamber's MICHauto initiative. WSHDC/Bourely and Wood also attended.

DTROT HoM raised:

- Chamber could provide assistance to communicate positive messaging about Canada to elected officials – local, state and federal along with Chamber membership. In particular, Canada has been a reliable and trusted supply chain partner in energy, automotive, agriculture and many others. Also, discourage membership from sound bytes like those coming from Rep. Slotkin.
- Reality is that this protest is not about truckers. It would be hard to find 10% of protesters that are truckers. This is a populous group.

Sandy Baruah:

- assured that he has not heard from private sector or elected officials saying anything negative about Canada's response to COVID.
- Surprised that the U.S. protest response has not yet happened and expects that is will likely begin.
  Assured that the Detroit Regional Chamber is aligned with the Canadian messaging and support of our bi-national relationship.
- Suggests public messaging to address the impact of the protests on manufacturing companies and employees, including many small businesses. Protestors are mad at the Canadian Gov't but end up taking it out on small business, workers and families
- Glenn Stevens is talking to D-3 automakers and large Tier One suppliers regarding impacts of protest on plant closures and supply chain. He will share info.

TC/ Cascadden to share info on plant closures and supply chain disruptions with MichAuto

Best regards,

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